

MINUTES OF BENTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT

October 24, 2013

A regular meeting of the Benton County Quorum Court was held on Monday, September 30, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the Benton County Administration Building, 215 East Central Avenue, Bentonville, Arkansas, pursuant to proper call and notice.

Deputy Clerk Janet Reaves called roll as follows:

13 JPs Present: McKenzie, Hernandez, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin,
Anglin, Curry, Carr, Moore, Meyers, Moehring
2 Absent: Adams, *Chiocco

A legal quorum was present.

The presiding officer led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Pastor Jeff Odom of Word of Life Fellowship led the prayer.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

None

County Judge Bob Clinard stated that Items “G” and “H” have been taken off the agenda for further revision by County Attorney George Spence.

MINUTES:

JP J. Harrison made motion to approve the minutes of the September 30, 2013 Quorum Court Meeting as distributed, seconded by JP Jones.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Minutes approved.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS:

None

COUNTY JUDGE’S REPORT:

County Judge Bob Clinard reported that; 1) the Courthouse Feasibility study is still in progress with a rough draft due tomorrow; 2) the Gravette facility for the Collector and Assessor and State Revenue Offices is complete the move is scheduled for October 25th, and the open house will be held October 30, 2013 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.; 3) the USA Drug building purchase will be finalized next week and they will begin making the necessary changes for occupancy for the County Clerk, Collector, Assessor and Revenue Offices; 4) the FEMA flood damage inspection team is continuing to assess the August flood damage to the County’s roads and bridges.

Administrator of Public Services Terry Nalley reported that they have completed a preliminary report of the spring flood damage and there are twenty-one sites which will need repair. He added that the goal is to have all twenty-one sites completed by mid-December.

County Judge Bob Clinard stated that they are waiting on FEMA to finish their reports on the August flood damage, before they can schedule a clean up.

County Judge Bob Clinard reported that; 5) the Benton County fall clean-up will be Saturday at the Benton County Road Department on Hwy 102 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; 6) a tobacco free workplace is in full effect all the Benton County campuses; 7) a Social Security seminar will be held in Judge Green's courtroom November 1, 2013 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.; 8) the county is providing help with the needed maintenance at the Benton County Senior Center at 3501 SE L St in Bentonville; and 9) the County Property Disposal list for September has been completed.

JP Moore stated that Hight-Jackson Associates will be presenting an update of the Courthouse Feasibility study at the Committee of the Whole, November 05, 2013.

County Judge Bob Clinard recognized the Benton County 4-H members present and read a proclamation declaring October 2013 as 4-H month in Benton County.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

JP Allen reported that the Finance Committee had met and sales tax numbers are up and that a Finance/Budget Committee meeting will be held October 29, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

JP Sandlin stated that the Personnel Committee has met and forwarded items on to the Finance/Budget Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

JP J. Harrison made motion to suspend the rules and read all ordinances and resolutions by title only, seconded by JP Jones.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

- (A) Proposed Resolution Authorizing a Property Tax Levy for Benton County General Fund and Benton County Road Fund for the Year 2013 to be Collected in the Year 2014; Sponsor: Quorum Court

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Sandlin made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Curry.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

13 Yeas: McKenzie, Hernandez, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones,
Sandlin, Anglin, Curry, Car, Moore, Meyers, Moehring
2 Absent: Adams, Chiocco

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **R-2013-33**.

(B) Proposed Resolution Authorizing the County Judge of Benton County to
Apply for a Grant on Behalf of the Benton County Emergency Management
Department; Sponsor JP Tom Allen

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Allen made motion to adopt, seconded by JP J. Harrison.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

13 Yeas: McKenzie, Hernandez, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones,
Sandlin, Anglin, Curry, Carr, Moore, Meyers, Moehring
2 Absent: Adams, Chiocco

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **R-2013-34**.

(C) Proposed Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance
No. O-2012-67 (2013 Benton County Budget) Authorizing a Transfer of Funds
Between Categories and Line Items, and Authorizing Additional Expenditures in
Department 44, Road Department, Fund 020; Sponsor: JP Michelle Chiocco

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Allen made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Carr.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

13 Yeas: McKenzie, Hernandez, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones,
Sandlin, Anglin, Curry, Carr, Moore, Meyers, Moehring
2 Absent: Adams, Chiocco

Appropriation Ordinance duly adopted and assigned **O-2013-69**.

(D) Proposed Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance
No. O-2012-67 (2013 Benton County Budget) Appropriating Additional Monies and
Authorizing Additional Expenditures in Dept. 01, County Judge, Fund 010; Sponsor:
JP J. Harrison

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed appropriation ordinance by title only.

JP J. Harrison made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Jones.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

13 Yeas: McKenzie, Hernandez, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones,
Sandlin, Anglin, Curry, Carr, Moore, Meyers, Moehring
2 Absent: Adams, Chiocco

Appropriation Ordinance duly adopted and assigned **O-2013-70**.

(E) Proposed Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance
No. O-2012-67 (2013 Benton County Budget) Authorizing a Transfer of Funds
Between Categories and Line Item; Dept. 05, Sheriff, Fund 010;
Sponsor: JP Tom Allen

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed appropriation ordinance by title only.

JP Allen made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Jones.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

13 Yeas: McKenzie, Hernandez, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones,
Sandlin, Anglin, Curry, Carr, Moore, Meyers, Moehring
2 Absent: Adams, Chiocco

Appropriation Ordinance duly adopted and assigned **O-2013-71**

*JP Michelle Chiocco entered the meeting.

(F) Proposed Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance
No. O-2012-67 (2013 Benton County Budget) to Amend *Schedule 1 – Revenues by
Fund* by Authorizing a Transfer to Capital Projects, Fund 440, from County General
Fund 010, and Authorizing a Transfer Between Categories and Line Items and
Authorizing Expenditures Listed Herein; Sponsor: JP Joel Jones

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed appropriation ordinance by title only.

JP Jones made motion to adopt, seconded by JP J. Harrison

County Judge Bob Clinard presented a power point presentation of the proposed floor plan for the USA Drug facility. He reported that there will be one office space for one Deputy Public Defender. He stated that the location has 62 parking spaces, including six handicapped accessible spaces, a large waiting area with seating for the public, and ample counter space for all the offices that deal with the public, as well as an area that will be set aside for early voting during elections.

There being no further discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

14 Yeas: McKenzie, Hernandez, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones,
Sandlin, Anglin, Chiocco, Curry, Carr, Moore, Meyers, Moehring
1 Absent: Adams

Appropriation Ordinance duly adopted and assigned **O-2013-72**.

Items “G” and “H” pulled from agenda for further revision.

- (G) Proposed Ordinance Adopting a New Planning Code by Reference;
Sponsor: JP Tom Allen
- (H) Proposed Ordinance Adopting a Revised Fee Schedule for Planning and
Building Safety and Permit Fees, and Exempting Agricultural Land Use from
Planning and Building Safety Review and Permit Fees; Sponsor: JP Tom Allen.

Other Business:

None

Announcements:

JP Allen announced that a Finance/Budget Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the court, upon motion and second the meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tena O'Brien
County Clerk